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1. On 16 October 1953, the Flak Kaserne in Leipzig-Schoenau quartered about 200 men who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery and motor transport insignia. About 4 p.m. on 8 October, about 60 men carrying baggage and small arms left the installation toward the railroad station where they boarded three boxcars. On 16 October, soldiers were seen being trained with machine guns in the training area south of the installation, while an estimated 50 to 60 men were practicing the construction of field fortifications. On the same day, [] 50 to 60 men fallen in in front of one of the quartering buildings and three or four squads doing close order drill. The doors of the motor vehicle garages were closed. []

2. On 16 October, the Heiterblick Kaserne quartered about 250 men, who wore red-bordered black epaulets, some of them with tank insignia. No activities were observed except for a few men who were apparently doing fatigue duties. As far as could be observed, the doors of the garages were closed. Between 9 and 16 October, [] observed 60 to 80 men doing field training and three motorcycles with sidecars mounting machine guns engaged in driving school practices southeast of the installation. A T-34/85 tank was seen proceeding to the training area from the direction of Taucha. On 14 October, 60 to 80 men were given training in firing. During the reporting period, there were heavy driving school activities []

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3. On 17 October, the Treitschke Kaserne quartered about 150 men with black-bordered crimson epaulets. On 12 October, 30 to 40 men were doing close order drill in the billeting area.

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4. On 12 October, the Train Kaserne quartered about 120 men with red-bordered black epaulets, some of them with motor transport insignia. Soldiers were seen doing maintenance work on motor vehicles in front of a garage.

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5. On 12 October, the Hindenburg Kaserne quartered only a guard detail. Guards seen there wore black-bordered blue epaulets. No activities or motor vehicles were observed in the billeting area.

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7. On 12 October, the Heiterblick Kaserne quartered about 500 men who wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank and motor transport insignia. The unit stationed there had not yet returned. On 5 and 7 October, armored personnel carriers and four T 34 tanks respectively were seen leaving the barracks installation. Between 3 and 12 October, seven to 11 trucks occupied by about 20 to 35 men who wore red-bordered black epaulets with motor transport insignia were almost daily seen doing driving school.

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Comment. This information indicates that the component units of the First Gds Mecz Army stationed at this installation had not yet returned by 16 October.

2. Comment. The present report indicates that the Heiterblick Kaserne probably quartered the 67th Tank Tng Bn and the motor transport battalion of the 8th Gds Mecz Div in mid-October.

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